

REMARKS

Applicant notes with appreciation that in the Final Office Action dated June 29, 2009, the Examiner allowed claims 2-4, 8, 13, 16-23, 26, 33, 34, 37 and 41-49.

Claims 35, 14, 36 and 39-40 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over McCallum (US 4,085,028) in view of Price et al (US 2003/0213503). Claim 38 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over McCalum (US 4,085,028) in view of Price et al (US2003/0213503) as applied above to claim 35 above, and further in view of Bentley (US 6,716,326).

By the present amendment, applicants have canceled claims 35, 36, 38, 39 and 40, and therefore their rejection is now moot. Claim 14 has been amended to depend from allowed claim 41, therefore the rejection of that claim is also moot. Therefore, no rejected claims remain in the application.

Five new claims, 50-54, have been added to equal the number of canceled claims. Therefore, the number of pending claims in the application has not increased. The new claims each depend from allowed claim 41 either directly or indirectly, and are patterned on allowed claims 2, 3, 16, 18 and 23. Applicants submit that these new claims do not add any new matter and do not raise any new issues or require additional searching, and therefore should be entered and indicated to also be allowed.

Applicants request that the Examiner enter this amendment canceling 5 claims, adding 5 new dependent claims and amending one claim to depend from an allowed claim, so that all of the issues raised in the Final action have been addressed and all pending claims are allowed or depend from allowed claims. Applicants request that the Examiner pass the application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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